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Applicant: Nicola Perone

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S HEALTH
(37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) and MPEP § 708.02 III)

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because applicant's state of health is such that he might not be available to assist in the prosecution of this application, if it were to run its normal course.

Applicant is a cancer patient. He underwent radical prostatectomy for prostate cancer. As a showing of this fact, accompanying this petition is a certificate by applicant's doctor.

Respectfully submitted,

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